

Evening Telegraph

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1864.

SPIRIT OF THE NEW YORK PRESS.

Leading Editorials from the New York Papers This Morning.

HOW THEY TALK IN SHERMAN'S ARMY.

From the *Times*.—The letter, from which we give extracts below, was written to a gentleman in this city by a staff officer in Sherman's army. The frank terms in which it avows his sentiments show that it was a private letter, not intended for publication, but it is the more valuable on that account. The Copperhead papers assert that General Sherman is in favor of General McClellan's election to the Presidency, in spite of the arrows, so recently made by General Sherman, in his correspondence with the Mayor of Atlanta, on opinions concerning the conduct of the war, and the end to be gained by it, so distinctly opposed to the course pursued by General McClellan. In view of this, and so inconsistent with his present position as a candidate of the party of Pennington, Villard, Vose, the Woods, and men of that class, who will use it and him to carry out their own designs.

The letter goes thus:—The friends of General Sherman's army, in the district about, for the writer is in a position to know whereof he speaks. Were there any differences of opinion between the writer and his great Captain on this subject, the writer of this letter would be pretty sure to let it be known. But the writer is so consistent with his present position as to ward off the men to the field. The immediate reinforcement of our armies is a necessary condition of victory, and every man of military record is such, and will be, even if you will not. No one will consider the day as saved, until the writer it brings have been defeated.

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THE NORTHERN DEPARTMENT.

General Hooker's First Order.
General, Oct. 3.—The following order has been issued by General Hooker in assuming command of the Department:

HEADQUARTERS NORTHERN DEPARTMENT, Columbus, Oct. 1, 1864.—General Orders No. 71, in accordance with General Orders No. 67, issued at Columbus, Sept. 28th, 1864, the undersigned assumes command of the Northern Department, embracing the States of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, and Missouri, Cincinnati being the most convenient and point for the dispatches of business, the Departmental Headquarters will be removed to that city in the fall of the year.

To promote uniformity in organizing the departments subdivided into four districts, each State will be divided into two districts, except Ohio, which will be divided into three districts, and Michigan will be at Detroit, and that of Indiana, Columbus. Officers of suitable rank will be appointed to command the districts, and the names and appointments are to be made as soon as practicable. The districts will be transacted as heretofore. The districts of Indiana and Illinois will remain under command of General McClellan, and the districts of Ohio and Michigan will be commanded by Generals Sherman and Grant respectively. The former requires energy, enthusiasm and industry in the performance of duty on the part of every officer and soldier, and the latter requires a spirit of quiet, steady record, such as will be congenial to his mind. No one will consider the day as saved, until the writer it brings have been defeated.

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(Signed) JOSEPH HOOKER,
Major-General of Volunteers.

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THE STATE ELECTION.

The Publication of the Returns.

AGENCY OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 4.—To the Chairman of the County committees of the State, of both parties.—In order to insure more correct and complete returns of the ensuing State elections for publication in the papers of Philadelphia and all the principal journals throughout the loyal States, the Associated Press respectfully request the assistance of the Chairmen of the different political committees.

What, in their name, do our people mean? Just at the hour when we should be united as were our fathers, to repel the common foe, we find our old friends turn the cold shoulder to us, and by word and deed, indeed, would have us turn the way they lead. I would see men who have within the last six months become crusaders for the cause of the South, turn their backs upon what they expect to accomplish. They can no longer manes do good, and they may, and are doing an infinite amount of harm. It is the same with the army. It is not the cause we are engaged in as sacred now as then? Were we not right in the beginning? If not, then we are wrong. All the blood spilt, the widows and orphans that this war has caused, the suffering and hardships made to our fathers to secure our country, are now made to our sons to sustain the cause of the South. And we might suffer the punishments of a just God.

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